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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 12, 2006, setting a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on January 12, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein-contained remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this document.